

REPORT OF ALTON COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM

We will soon begin our twelfth year of service to the Community. Your support and trust has helped to maintain our mission statement in helping with the distressed and less fortunate citizens in our area.

Our program has assisted more and more households each year. Our records show an increase in 2009, with an additional 32 applications in 2009. We also assisted Operation Blessing at Thanksgiving and the American Legion at Christmas.

Our appreciation is extended to Mark Northridge who helped us in receiving a grant from the Cogswell Benevolent Trust of Manchester. We were able to purchase much needed equipment for the pantry and office. We are thankful to St Vincent de Paul, Hannafords Market and our local growers for their assistance. And to the Town, we thank you for your continuing support. We appreciate the generosity of all those who made contributions to our program.

We also work with many agencies to obtain grants for utility, rent and other household necessities on behalf of our clients. And we continue to act as a referral agency.

To our volunteers, we owe them “a ton” of gratitude, they come out weekly to stock our shelves, take inventory, maintain records, and other duties as assigned.

Please contact us at 875-2273(CARE) for information or come by to see us. Our office is open on Saturday's between the hours of 9:00am to 11:00am, we are located next to the corner of Main and Mooney Streets, and during the week by appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothea Wentworth, Director